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Field Notes.

Adger.—Sunday the 22nd was a busy day at Mud Creek Church. Prof. J. D. Patton, a fine singer, opened his normal at 10 a. m. At 11 I preached from Isaiah 40:11; my subject was "Development of Power by the use of Means." At 5 p. m. the B. Y. P. U. gave an excellent program, which was most gratifying. At 6 p. m. I preached from Gal. 6:7-8, my subject being "Warning Against Deception and Seed Sowing." Good congregations present at both services.—J. H. Hosmer.

Salem Church, at Pinson, held a 12 days' meeting in August. The preaching of Bro. O. A. Bamber has not had the reaction too common; but to the contrary, it is still telling for good in many ways. The Sunday school is growing in interest and attendance. The Ladies Aid Society is doing more than it has done for years. They have sent \$7.50 for missions and \$20.00 to the Orphans' Home since the Association met, and have remembered the pastor's wife in a substantial way, besides they have the money in hand to build a baptistry for the church. The deacons have provided well for their pastor, and the members have been uniformly kind.—Z. S. Wyatt.

Pine Hill.—We are now quartered in the parsonage in Pine Hill. The good people here gave us a magnificent reception. When my family reached here last Thursday evening they found the home in order and the ladies had prepared a feast of good things. "All things were now ready," and they were at once invited to the supper. Our pantry is filled with choice articles of food, nothing that warm hearts and willing hands could do was left undone. We greatly appreciate the kindness of these good people and pray God's richest blessings upon them. I will give half my time to Pine Hill Church. The other half will be divided between Forest Springs and Lower Peachtree. I have about 335 members to serve this year and hope with the Lord's help and blessing to accomplish some good. With best wishes for your success, and praying the Lord to give great success to all of our efforts.—J. G. Lowrey.

Fifth Sunday Meeting.—The Fifth Sunday meeting at Dogwood on Saturday was a success. The subjects of "Christian Education," "Ministerial Support" and "The Power of the Holy Spirit" were thoroughly discussed by the speakers. The subject of "Christian Education as it Pertains to Howard College" was especially emphasized, including the importance of an endowment. The discussion was specially enjoyed by those present, they evidencing their interest by personal complimentary expressions after adjournment. No doubt but that the meeting will result for good when we undertake the endowment. The people were at least made to feel that Howard College is our College. On Sunday the incessant rain all day long prevented a meeting. We had hoped to have an inter-

esting discussion of Sunday Schools and Missions and a collection for State Missions, but were disappointed on account of the rain. However, we feel that our labors were not in vain. We believe that good seed has been sown which will germinate and bring forth fruit to the glory of God.—C. W. O'Hara, Secretary.

From Mobile.—The Fifth Sunday meeting of the Mobile Association, at Semmes, was a spiritual blessing to the Church and much enjoyed by the pastors who attended. The address on "Church Discipline" by Bro. J. R. Curry was considered so good that he was requested to send it to the Alabama Baptist for publication. The same action was taken with Bro. A. T. Sims' speech on "Church Building." Bro. A. J. Preston, the new pastor at Palmetto Street, was at his best on the subject of missions. Brother Hartin, of Dauphin Way, our only bachelor preacher, came in with a good sermon, and in all the discussions put in a helpful word. A vote of thanks was given Brother Harroun for his lecture on Temperance. The Sunday school work was presented by Judge Maupin in his earnest, spiritual manner, that touches the hearts of his listeners. Dr. Cox was absent because of sickness in his home. We missed our veteran, Bro. J. R. Newell, and he was remembered in our prayers. Had he heard Brother Sims' missionary sermon Sunday, and witnessed the collection, he would have rejoiced with us indeed. Our Moderator, Brother W. P. Roberts, made us all feel at home, and we want him as permanent officer.—J. M. Kalin.

Alabama City.—I am serving one of the oldest churches in Etowah county. This church is over 50 years old. It was pastored by the venerable H. S. Culberson for about thirty years. His death was much lamented by all who knew him. The Lord has graciously blessed our work. The membership has been increased by letter 9, by restoration 3, by baptism 8. I am also serving the new church at Blue Mountain in Calhoun county. I took charge in November, 1904. My days are 2nd and 4th Sundays in each month. There have been added by enrollment, 8; by letter, 9; by profession, 3, and have five ready for baptism. We have a fine Sunday school with Brother Fry as Superintendent; Bro. T. Williamson is Secretary. Our house of worship is small, but we hope soon to be able to build one that will accommodate the congregations. I am idle on the 3rd Sunday only, but greatly appreciate the privilege of hearing my own dear Pastor, J. W. Dunaway, who is doing a good work here at Alabama City.—J. B. Brown.

Bibb County Association.—I want to tell you that I greatly enjoy reading your paper. I wish to speak of some things that I have noticed in its columns. I was glad to see Brother Crumpton's rebuke against hat collections. I think individual effort through Scripture hints is the most substantial I praise the Lord for Brother O'Hara's article on church suppers, and

traffic. The love of God should constrain us and not our appetite. From the fact that I have passed the meridian of life may have caused me to read Bro. W. D. Hubbard's suggestions with much interest. I agree that worn-out ministers should have due consideration. But I am persuaded that if we had a full treasury in their behalf the list would increase suddenly, unless like Paul to Timothy concerning widows, that age and qualification be largely considered, and poor kinsmen too. In view of the fact that age is creeping on, I have begun to prepare for it (with the help of God) myself, as I did my education, (though that is limited). But I am not ashamed of my success, considering the opportunities of the sixties. I am reducing my circle, (not my efforts), in church serving, and giving the time I spent on the road to building up a home, that will be nearly self-sustaining in fruits, live stock, and well-cultivated fields. Preachers that are not dependent are not thrown away so soon. You ask for short articles on pastorless churches and churchless pastors. When I see a preacher without work, I fear that he has chosen it as a profession, and not as a divine calling; and when I see a pastorless church I fear that there is some boss member there, or has been gotten up by someone who wished to control. Any way, God is not in it; for if He be for us, who can be against us?—James D. Martin.

Danville.—To Danville, forty miles across the country, I journeyed last Saturday. Thither I have journeyed for three years, most of the time, because the saints there couldn't do any better. I have gone through the heat and cold, mud and dust, missing just one appointment. Then it was raining, the waters were on a boom, I was sick, and after going five miles I returned home. The little church has paid me each year more than it promised. Frequent collections for missions have been gathered and forwarded to the State Secretary. Amounts have been small, but each year has aggregated a respectable sum for a small church living under innumerable discouragements. Danville was once strong. Now she is very weak. For some years to exist has been no inconsiderable achievement. The surrounding country is good. The people are kind and industrious. We hope for a better day. Last Sunday morning on my way to church I was presented with a huge bundle labelled "Presented by the people of Danville." I unrolled the bundle, pulled off my old seedy twelve-year-old overcoat on the spot, threw it down, and put on a first-class overcoat that reached from almost the crown of my head to my feet. Well, I couldn't do the subject justice. I just had to stand around and feel good. I must have looked as thoroughly delighted as a boy in his first "pants." By the way, if the Lord lets me live two more days, I will be sixty-one years "young," and I can do more of anything I am called on to do than I could have done at thirty. When I was starting home at day-light on Monday morning a sister gave me some money with positive instructions

to get some overshoes. May the Lord bless the people of Danville.—Enoch Windes.

Attalla.—Allow me to congratulate you on the constant improvement noted in the Baptist. I had hoped to tell you by this time of the completion of our repair work; but we have had several interruptions in the work and the end is not yet; but we shall have a beautiful house of worship when it is finished. Both of my churches (Attalla and Fort Payne) remembered the pastor and his wife in a very substantial way Christmas. Besides a large amount of provisions from each of the churches, the ladies of the Attalla church gave my wife a pretty quilt and a beautiful, tailor-made, broadcloth suit. On last week it was our pleasure to visit Jacksonville, the field on which we spent almost three years in the pastorate, and to which we still look back with the very pleasantest of recollections. Our mission to Jacksonville last week was that I might perform the ceremony at the marriage of Miss Mary Ramaguane to Mr. Lee Burton. For a number of years Miss Mary has been a faithful and earnest worker in the Jacksonville Baptist church. She teaches the primary class in Sunday school, is leader of the Sunbeam Band, and secretary of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society; yet with all of these duties she finds time to visit the sick, and perform many other works of love. It is needless to say that the very best wishes of a host of friends will attend her in her new relation. The church at Jacksonville has been without a pastor for some time. They have now called Brother Colley, of Howard College; but he has not yet given an answer. The State Normal School at that place makes it a very important field; but the man who goes to it will have the privilege of working among a people who are as faithful and loyal in their efforts to further the interests of the Kingdom as any people under the sun. The Etowah Association meets with the Attalla church next October. At that time we hope to have ye editor of the Alabama Baptist and a large number of other visitors besides the regularly appointed delegates. I am working and praying and hoping to see my two churches "go forward" in their gifts to missions as well as in all other departments of our work; and with our secretary's motto—"Everlastingly at it"—as the motto of each pastor in this State we can confidently look forward to the best year's work in the history of Alabama Baptists.—A. J. Johnson.

Trussville.—The opinion prevails that pastors ought to write for their denominational paper. Country churches have very little news, except of minor and local interest. The strong churches that command the talent, who are able to enthrone every department of church work and make glowing reports of gifts to every interest fostered by the denomination, leave the weak country churches with their best possible success far behind. One brother has his salary, a good one, promptly paid, his pantry filled, his expenses paid to the Conventions, etc.

while his less fortunate brother, who is in every way faithful, is kept above want by the heroic sacrifice of his poor people. (And the contrast is not less with churches.) Sometimes among this latter class, as at Mt. Olive Jan. 21st on Saturday, at the regular conference, a young man presented himself for baptism and membership. Now with no baptistry but the cold, running stream, to join in January is news to most of our country churches. Mt. Olive is in the midst of a warm revival spirit. She has more than doubled her membership in the last few months. Her weekly services of song and prayer and the Sunday school are accomplishing much. Corinth, constituted in October, 1902, with 10 members, now numbers 43. Seventeen have been added by baptism. They are all poor, but have bought a lot and built a good house on it. They have a good Sunday school, but do not take the Alabama Baptist as they ought. I hope they will soon see their mistake and correct it. Oak Grove, with 117 members, ought to double her subscription for the Alabama Baptist. I have been able to add only three new subscribers there. The library placed with the Sunday school, by Bro. G. E. Mize, is quite helpful to the young folks. They are doing fairly well. Eight have been baptized and one restored since the Association. I sent you a report from Salem in December, a good one, but have not seen it in print. Divide, condense, clip or consign to the waste basket as you may elect.—Z. S. Wyatt.

MORE ABOUT PASTORS AND CHURCHES.

I am glad to see, Brethren Hope, Harris and Chambers reply to my article. They strike pretty hard at the answer. Brother Hope hit the key note when he said that "It is considered too much from a business point of view, instead of a spiritual standpoint, by both the churches and the preachers." I earnestly insist on every one to read First Corinthians, first and second chapters, and draw the contrast between man's wisdom, and the wisdom of God. Then read Romans 1:16, Matt. 28:18-20, Mark 16:15, 16, and find here two things. First, the preacher is to go and preach the Gospel everywhere. Second, the Church is to encourage and support the preacher, and the Holy Spirit is to be with them both, always, etc. Now, if the preacher will go and discharge his duty, and the Church will encourage and support the preacher, both being guided by the Holy Spirit, laying aside malice, prejudice, pride, style, and not stop to ask such questions as is he a D.D., a fine speaker, well dressed, but rather is he clothed with consecration, devotion, charity, etc. And the preacher should ask no questions as to salary, "feelings," etc., but should go to work to meet the devil and his work, and by the help of the Holy Spirit overcome every obstacle, through the co-operation and support of the Church. Then it is that the old time Gospel will be heard and heeded, and old time religion felt and enjoyed, and every church have a pastor, and every preacher a church. We need a revival of doctrinal preaching, such

as Christ and the Apostles and our fore-fathers preached. Anecdotal and sensational preaching and civic propositions have taken the place of the old Gospel preaching too much nowadays. In my next I shall show why churches and preachers are in such a tangle, and how to get out of it.

D. L. James.

North Birmingham, Ala.

BROTHER CRUMPTON IN CALIFORNIA.

One who goes to San Francisco and fails to visit Tamalpais misses one of the finest views on the coast—indeed, some say its equal cannot be found anywhere.

The Tamals were a tribe of Indians who once lived hereabouts and "Pais" is a Spanish word meaning country, the country of Tamals. Only a few miles west of Sausalito, at Mill Valley, the electric cars are left for the mountain climber. Through red wood forests, up narrow gulches, over deep canons, winding back and forth, doubling back on our track, at one place actually making a double bow-knot, but all the while climbing. We are landed in an hour and a half at Tamalpais hotel. The summit is yet two hundred feet above. No pen can begin to describe the scene. The city and all its suburbs, the bay with its hundred inlets, the Golden Gate and the great ocean are all in full view. A trail, a quarter of a mile in length, runs on a level around the summit.

The mountains to the north with the rivers, like threads of silver, furnish a scene not inferior to the one on the other side. Though a bleak wind from the north was blowing at the rate, it was said, of eighty miles an hour, I spent the whole day there and wished for more time. A nice hotel is on the mountain, which, I understand, is full all the summer long. When I descended in the afternoon, I could say truly: "This is the greatest trip of my life."

Of course I went out to Sutro Park and the Cliff House. Hadn't time in the late afternoon to go to the famous Sutro baths. The Seal Rocks with the surf thundering about them and the seals, like a great herd of beef cattle, quietly sleeping on their sides, is sure to catch the eye of the traveler. Unless many were away feeding, the family of seals is rapidly growing smaller; so it seems to one who saw them three years ago. No one is allowed to injure them on the rocks, but doubtless fishermen shoot them on the sly as they find them swimming in the bay. As a destroyer of fish and a wrecker of nets the seal is an expert. I was glad to meet

Brother Napier

and see him off to China. I met him at the First Baptist Church, after service. As it would be an hour or more before our boat would leave, my brother suggested that the young missionary, by way of initiation, be taken through China-town. Every step was an eye-opener to him. We could not go into the houses, for the want of time, nor into the town underground, which they say is densely populated by the worst type of men on earth. Down there are the opium dens and gambling dens. We

passed the Joss-house, the Chinese place of worship. On the window of a store we saw, "Baptist Mission Room;" on the next window of the same building was "Wines and Liquors sold here." We had only time to say a few words to an intelligent young Baptist Chinaman, who is engaged in the Mission.

Not many Californians, I judge, believe in the success of Mission work among the Chinese. People, who are destitute of personal religion, or those who hold that religion consists merely in cultivation out of one way of thinking and going into another, are never enthusiastic foreign Missionaries. Only those who intensely believe in the regenerating power of the Holy Spirit and the transforming power of Christ's Gospel, can have much heart in giving the Gospel to the heathen.

Where is the man who says men go to the foreign field to make money? Here is a young man, capable by culture of mind and heart to fill the best pulpits in the land. He deliberately lays himself on God's altar and says, "Here am I Lord, send me," and thereby gives up nearly half the salary he was getting and cuts himself off entirely from any hope of a larger field with increased salary, which would certainly have come to him, had he remained where he was. Shame on the poor wretch who would impugn the motive of such men!

It was a great sight to visit "The China," the ocean steamship which was to bear away the young Missionary to his home in the Far East. The vessel was manned entirely by Chinese servants and sailors. Several hundred Chinese were on the wharf to see the vessel off. Quite a number of poor fellows, who had smuggled themselves into this country, in spite of the Exclusion Act, were being deported. Several slave girls had been smuggled on the steamer early in the morning and securely hidden. This brought many to the wharf. Charges of theft had been sworn out against them and officers came aboard to arrest them if they could be found. But they were not discovered. The Christian women, who had been the instruments of their rescue, were very happy.

Brother Napier goes alone—that is, well, he is yet single; but close questioning might have brought out something which is not yet ready for publication. His traveling companion is young Brother Provence, who goes from Texas. He goes out to take a place in the printing house of the Chinese Publication Society. His brother, H. W., left Ensley a few weeks ago for Shanghai. They are the sons of our brother, S. M. Provence, of Tuskegee. God has doubly honored this dear brother by calling these two noble sons to work. Who, that heard it, can ever forget the fervent prayer of the father at the Anniston Convention last July for his Missionary boys!

Random Notes.

Oil is the fuel used on all the trains and boats. It is far cheaper and more cleanly than coal. The water of San Francisco Bay is so covered with oil that the ducks fall an easy prey to the sportsmen and will soon be exterminat-

ed. Their wings grow heavy with oil or they become paralyzed so they cannot fly.

On the wine cards in the diner were the words, "No wine or liquor sold in Texas." The drinkers were greatly inconvenienced and doubtless did some hard thinking about the narrowness of some folks. It seems that Texas Prohibition laws prohibit here.

On the return trip it was curious at one point to see Mt. San Bernardino, 11,800 feet above the sea, and Mt. San Geronimo 12,000, covered with snow, while we were flying through the valley among the orange groves.

Far out in the desert, at Mesal in Arizona, for seven hours, we were delayed by a freight wreck ahead. How some folks did fret! To me it was glorious to be in the sunshine, breathing the pure, crisp air, at an altitude of more than 4,000 feet.

I met a miner of silver in Mexico. He was loud in praise of the Mexican mining laws and in condemnation of ours. Said he: "There we have less law and more justice; here you have all laws and no justice." Asked if the laborers did not steal much of the richest ore, he replied with an oath, "Yes, we catch up with many of them. The Superintendent of a mine is supreme. He has his police force. When we catch the devils stealing we stand them up and shoot them. The fear of God is not before their eyes unless you shoot it into them." Great is Mexico for justice!

Crossing the desert, one sees droves of consumptives and those affected with bronchitis. Some fine hospitals are being erected. I was told that many of the tents I saw scattered about were occupied by consumptives. I doubt not, in the early stages of lung trouble, this is the place for the afflicted; but the outdoor treatment at home would do just as well. I am sure everybody would advise persons in advanced stages of the disease to stay at home among their friends. A poor woman in the last stages is aboard my train, hastening to her home, somewhere East. I doubt if she lives to get there.

If these rambling letters have interested my readers, I am richly repaid for writing them. I will write one more short letter about Baptist affairs on the coast and that will close the series.

W. B. Crumpton.

The map sold by the Board at \$3.00, delivered, is printed in colors, on cloth, and is beautiful. Every church or Sunday school should have one. Order from our Foreign Mission Board in Richmond, Va.

NOTE.

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Subject for February—"The Sunday School Board."

Every child born into the world is a fresh and radiant possibility.

1. Bible Selections: "Youthful consecration." Eccles. 12:1; I Sam. 1:24-28; II Chron. 34:7; Luke 2:46-52.

2. Seed Thoughts: "The church which neglects her young people proves herself improvident and must neither wonder no complain of Heaven leaves her nothing to nurse but desolation." Through its publications, especially "Kind Words" and the B. Y. P. U. Quarterly, the Sunday School Board aims to extend help in development of our young people. Its special missionary work is Bible distribution.

3. Chain of Prayer: For the young people of the local church and others; for the work of the Sunday School Board.

4. Sharp Shooting: Twelve items on work of the Sunday School Board, one following another in rapid succession. (See February "Home Field.")

5. Leaflet: "A Missionary Force," by Dr. J. M. Frost.

6. Open Parliament: On S. S. B.

7. Business: Collection, etc.

8. Discussion of Plans for enlisting the young people of the local church in missionary work. The Home and Foreign Boards recommended that they be interested in School Work. For information about mountain schools, these in Cuba and on Foreign Fields, apply to the State Officers or to Cor. Sec., W. M. U., 233 N. Howard Street, Baltimore, Md.

9. Leaflet: "Cripple Tom," by Mrs. Walter Searles.

10. Close with reading of Psalm 145.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BOARD A MISSIONARY FORCE.

A Visit to Nashville.

Let us take a trip to Nashville, Tenn., and for a little while visit the home of the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Over the triple arched entrance of a fine mansion at 710 Church street, we find the words "Baptist Publication House."

Entering we see well equipped offices and Board rooms, and facilities for carrying on the varied work of the organization. We meet the genial Corresponding Secretary, Dr. J. M. Frost, who has been connected with the Board since its formation in 1891. With evident pleasure he mentions that the Board has been self-sustaining from the first, that without capital stock, it has a business rated at three hundred thousand dollars and has put into denominational life nearly one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. Special stress

is laid upon the evangelistic and missionary features of the Board's work.

In another room we find the Editorial Secretary, Dr. I. J. Van Ness, busy looking after the Sunday School quarterlies and papers. The quarterlies are the Primary, Intermediate, Advanced and Bible Class. The papers are the Child's Gem, Baptist Boys and Girls, and Kind Words. There is also a Young People's Union Quarterly. In all of these publications, there are special missionary features. How glad we are to learn from Dr. Frost that the school patronage of the Board now reaches ninety per cent. throughout the territory of the Convention.

Books, tracts, Bibles, hymn books, and catechisms are also published. As the chief source of income—about 85 per cent—is in the sale of periodicals, we readily see that every school purchasing from the Board increases its power of usefulness.

From the Bible and Colportage fund used almost exclusively for distribution of the word of God in destitute places, appropriations were made last year to State Boards and to the Home Mission Board in books, Bibles, periodicals, etc., and to the Foreign Board of \$1,000 in cash. Children's Day in June is for the benefit of the Bible Fund. Three field secretaries give their time to the betterment of Sunday school work throughout the South. They are B. W. Spilman, R. M. Inlow and L. P. Leavell.

Christ and I.
 From Dr. J. R. Miller the following thought has been adapted:

"I look into the face of a company of little children, and I hear a whisper saying:

"By and by I will be a blessing to many. By and by I will give money to the Lord Jesus for His work. By and by I will teach many to love the cause of missions. By and by I will carry the gospel to those who have it not. By and by I will turn many from worshipping idols to serve the living God. By and by I shall finish my course and be among the glorified with my Redeemer."

"You will do all this, frail, powerless little one?" I asked. And the child makes answer, "Yes, Christ and I."

Pictures and Missions.

In 1719 the young Count Zinzendorf was sent by his uncle on a tour of foreign travel to complete his education and wean him from his devotion to the service of God. It was a time of testing, but as the young nobleman stood before the famous painting of the crucified Redeemer, he resolved to serve God as never before. The power of pictures to plant a missionary purpose in the heart of a child has been shown in the lives of many great missionaries.

The wealth of pictures to be obtained today constitutes one of the best aids to the study of missions and affords great delight to children. Very pretty picture books can be made by making clippings from magazines and pasting them in an ordinary scrap book. Other pictures bearing on mission fields if mounted on heavy card board are worthy of a place in any home and will oftentimes influence interest in missions. The celebrated Duff of India traced his first desire to be a missionary, to pictures of idols shown him at the age of four, and Richardson of Madagascar, another missionary hero, was permanently influenced at seven, by a picture shown him by a teacher of the martyrdom of native Christians.—Missionary Review.

Encouragements for Young People's Work.

"Pitt entered Parliament when he was hardly twenty-one, and was Prime Minister of Great Britain before he was twenty-five."

The typical missionary who outlined the ideal and set the pattern, said at the age of thirty-three, "It is finished" and returned to heaven from whence he came.

Saul officially witnessed the stoning of Stephen at twenty-seven and a short time after was commissioned by Christ to go bear His name far hence to the Gentiles.

Timothy was but fourteen when converted.

Adoniram Judson was but twenty-two when he resolved to devote his life to mission work. David Livingstone was twenty-one. Bishop Thoburn seventeen.

In view of such facts, how important it is that in the Sunday school and in all work among young people we realize the possibilities of youthful lives!

An Encouragement in Leaflet Distribution.

Early in 1819, while waiting to see a patient, a young physician in New York took up and read a tract on missions, which lay in the room where he sat. On reaching home he spoke to his wife of the question that had arisen in his mind. As a result they set out for Ceylon, and later India, as foreign missionaries. For thirty years the wife, and for thirty-six years the husband labored among the heathen, and then went to their reward. Apart from what they did directly, as missionaries, they left behind them seven sons and two daughters. Each of these sons married, and with their wives, and both sisters, gave themselves to the same mission work. Already have several grandchildren of the first missionary become missionaries in India. And thus far thirty of that family—the Scudders—have given five hundred and twenty-nine years to Indian missions.—Selected.

Missionary Reading.

Missionary reading means missions succeeding. The problem of missions is, at bottom, this: How to create a love of missionary reading.

In the first place, your missionary committee, or whoever are pushing the matter, must read missionary books themselves; otherwise they will be in the position of a bald-headed man selling a hair restorer.

In the second place, interesting bits from these books must be read to the young people, as you would hold out wisps of hay to a pony in order to toll him to pasture. To this end, hold a "one-book" meeting, and go through some glorious missionary volume, one person to a chapter. Of course, each speaker will give only the nuggets from his selection of the book.—Amos R. Wells.

A HARD MATTER BECAME EASY.

From within the four walls of a room where I have been confined with a stubborn case of lagrippe for some days I wish that I was able to send forth to my brethren some suggestions that would help them to make their next collection for foreign missions somewhat in keeping with the greatness of the need and in proportion to the urgency of the command.

I have known collections that were successful, accompanied with much joy and followed by a great refreshing from the presence of the Lord. On the other hand, I have heard of others that were bitterly disappointing in results, accompanied by a blizzard and followed by a fearful drought. What is the difference, and can the latter be transformed into the former, making a method that ordinarily seems hard because easy?

I think so, and along the following, or some similar lines:

First The pastor, who is the key to the situation—and ought to get out of the situation if he is not—must have a profound realization of the need for larger giving and doing for the Master.

This realization must be more than a mere knowledge of the needs of the field and the formal command to go into all the world. It comes about by such heart touch with the Master as looks out through His eyes over the fields white unto the harvest and see countless thousands dying without the gospel, and will not sleep or be satisfied until a greater effort has been put forth to do something worthy the Master's name.

The soul thus on fire to do something more for the spread of the gospel will be lead to pray over the plan. Not a makeshift or conscience easer, but a plan that will, when well worked, accomplish something. Wait before the Lord and the plan will come that will meet any given situation.

When in answer to prayer and honest, hard thinking the plan has come, then begin usually in a quiet way to try to interest others. Get a few of your choice spirits, there are some in every field, together and pray over the situation. They will hardly oppose that over which they have prayed even if at first they do not enthuse on the spot. Frequently, a woman's is the first sympathetic ear you will find; but in a spirit of sensible earnestness and prayer keep pushing your plan and before you are aware of it the church will be ablaze with the thought of doing more for our Master.

The next thing to be done is to work your plan well. A poor plan well worked is better than a good plan poorly worked. A man may have the best

farming plans in the State, but if he don't work his plans his barns will be empty. Why can't we in the Lord's service get the best plan and then work it in the best manner?

Of course we always want every one to have a share in the work; but when you want a thing done put it in the hand of some one whom you can count on.

If envelopes are to be used, and they are generally helpful, see to it that each church member and friend has one in time, but not a great while before the day for the offering.

Have everything planned and worked up beforehand and then on the day of the collection

Take it with Faith and Joy.

Magnify the giving day. Has not the Lord promised to be present and bless the offering? The people ought to be as happy on the day when a foreign mission collection is taken as when their sons and daughters are being baptized. I've seen it so a few times. Ought we to apologize to the people for giving them the privilege of enriching their souls by being honest with God?

Many a pastor has pursued something like the above plan and his heart was overwhelmed with joy as he saw his people bringing offering and God opening the windows of heaven. May our Father's hand be upon us all as we try to lead our people into the Bible standard of giving.

J. L. Gross,

Vice-Pres. For. Miss. for Ala.

THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE BEGINS WORK.

Rev. G. W. Young, D.D., a prominent member of the Kentucky Conference, and at present Assistant Superintendent of the American Anti-Saloon League, has been secured to open the work of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League. Dr. Young will open an office in Birmingham early in February. He will spend three months actively in the State work. He works under the authority of the State Anti-Saloon League. He represents us. He will go forth in the name of God, good citizenship, the homes, schools and churches of Alabama to present our cause to the Christian people of the State.

A plain, and we trust, a sane and conservative plan is to be put before the people. Dr. Young will ask for free-will offerings for the support of the Alabama Anti-Saloon League. Strenuous endeavor will be made to get the Local Option cause fully understood. Of course, no respectable fight can be made against so strongly entrenched an enemy as the saloon power without incidental expense. We desire to steadily prosecute the cause till our first aim is realized.

This will be the enactment of a general Local Option law.

If we meant to fight the saloon with platitudinous resolutions alone the saloon men would tickle at it. But we are out for sentiment, conviction and votes. The saints can now accent their prayers at the ballot-box. The fight must be in the political arena, because the saloon power is already in politics. They will not quit the field. It is the field of the saloon's choice. They are fortified behind old laws.

Little can be done till we are enabled by legislation to get the saloon before the bar of a public conscience. If we can secure the legislation we seek we can then find out the local sentiment of the majorities in any unit of our civic order. Each county, or city, or precinct, or ward, could vote on the saloon question. Only recently the Governors of New York, Indiana and Louisiana have recommended to their legislators exactly this method of controlling the liquor traffic. Few of our people appreciate the fact that Alabama is far in the rear of her sister States in temperance activity. We represent a Christian population of at least five hundred thousand in Alabama. The Christian voters of the State number at least seventy-five thousand. To them we submit this great cause.

The following itinerary for Dr. Young has been arranged:

- Greensboro, Feb. 12th, 11 a. m., Methodist church.
- Birmingham, Feb. 19th, 11 a. m., Cumberland Presbyterian church.
- Bessemer, Feb. 26th, 11 a. m., Methodist church; 7 p. m., Baptist church.
- East Lake, March 5th, 7 p. m., Baptist church.
- Birmingham, March 12th, 11 a. m., Eleventh Avenue, Methodist; 7 p. m., St. John's, Methodist.
- Pratt City, March 19th, 11 a. m., Methodist church; Birmingham, 7 p. m., First Presbyterian.
- Montgomery, March 26th, 11 a. m., Cumberland Presbyterian; 7 p. m., Court Street Methodist.
- Selma, April 2nd, 11 a. m., Cumberland Presbyterian; 7 p. m., Baptist.
- Tuscaloosa, April 9th, 11 a. m., Baptist church; 7 p. m., Methodist church.
- Roanoke, April 16th, 11 a. m., Methodist church.
- Oakbowery, April 19th, 7 p. m., Methodist church.
- Alexander City, April 23rd, 11 a. m., Methodist church.
- Anniston, April 30th, 11 a. m., Baptist; 7 p. m., Parker Memorial, Baptist.
- Sylacauga, May 3rd, 7 p. m.
- Gadsden, May 7th, 11 a. m.
- Attalla, May 7th, 7 p. m., Methodist.
- Albertsville, May 10th 7 p. m., Methodist.
- Huntsville, May 14th.
- Tuscumbia, May 21, 11 a. m.
- Florence, May 21, 7 p. m.
- Decatur, May 28, 11 a. m.; New Decatur, 7 p. m.

Respectfully,

S. E. Wasson,

Acting Superintendent Anti-Saloon League.

A NOTE FROM BROTHER CRUMPTON.

I want to thank the many kind friends who have written me words of sympathy about the death of my poor boy. It touches and cheers my lonely heart. He was always a care, but for that reason he was very dear to us.

Sometime we shall know fully the mission in the world God gave to him. He loved God, his word and his worship. It is a great comfort to know that he is with his mother, who tenderly loved him and whom he has so sadly missed these six years.

W. B. Crumpton.

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But sometimes the kidneys fail. And sometimes, from some other cause, the blood gets so full of poison that they cannot absorb it all. This is the start of Rheumatism. The poison accumulates and crystallizes. The crystals look like little grains of sugar or fine white sand. The blood carries them and they increase in size. Then, when it can carry them no longer, it deposits them in a joint—on a bone—anywhere.

The twinge in your leg—the dull ache in your arm on a rainy day—these are the outward signs of the unseen crystals. And the twisted limbs and unpeppable anguish of the sufferer who has allowed his symptoms to go unheeded and unattended for years—these are the evidences of what Rheumatism, neglected, can do.

Rheumatism includes lumbago, sciatica, neuralgia, gout—for all these are the results of rheumatic poison in the blood.

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Obituaries.

SMITH.—"Weep with them that weep," is the Heavenly bidding.

On Jan. 3, 1905, God called us to walk with our beloved Brother and Sister Oliver F. Smith, in the valley of the shadow of death. By a mysterious providence God had taken away one of their own precious jewels, Fleetwood, the eldest-born. For several days previous he had lingered at the portal, when the Heavenly Father came and said, "It is enough," and his spirit passed gently away.

During his childhood years he enjoyed the blessings of a Godly home, as well as the loving instruction of a very devout grand-father, the well-known Michael Threefoot. The seeds of love and Godliness thus sown were not without fruit. He made a public profession of faith in the Savior when only a child, and among the last words coming from his lips were expressions of love and trust in Jesus.

May the God of all comfort, "who comforts us in all our tribulations," bind up these hearts broken of sorrow, and pour in the oil of joy and gladness.

Their Pastor, W. M. Hartin.

BURSON.—I was quite young when father died, and left mother with three little children to care for. In a few years she married Mr. O. J. Burson who became a kind father to us. He was the truest, gentlest Christian I have ever known. He was a success as a teacher, as a clerk and as a merchant. I knew him intimately in each occupation. As a deacon in the Church, he was always attentive to the sick and poor and was spiritual adviser for those whose souls were troubled. In him the pastor found a sympathetic friend and an earnest, active helper. He gave liberally and joyfully of his means to every good work.

During the last years of his life he suffered greatly, but in all his pain he never once complained that God was cruel. He spent his last days in Dr. King's Sanatorium in Selma. On the 17th of June, 1904, mother and the children took the dear body home, where it is sweetly sleeping near the old church he loved so well. Dr. Ramsey preached the funeral sermon—"Mark the perfect man, and behold the upright for the end of that man is peace."

Only one child was given to him, to bear his name. She is at the Judson, living and working for the same gracious Master her father delighted to honor. What a great joy it is to know the Lord and love Him. My most earnest prayer is that we may train our baby so that he may be as good a man as my step-father.

RAMSEY.—At the January meeting of Cool Springs Baptist Church the following resolutions were offered by Bro. W. O. Moore and adopted by the Church relative to the death of Bro. J. W. Ramsey, who died at his home in St. Clair county Nov. 10th, 1904.

Resolved, First, That in the death of Bro. J. W. Ramsey this community has lost one of her best and most useful citizens.

Second, That in his death this Church has lost one of her most devoted members, a corner-stone indeed, being the last male member who organized it.

Third, That this Church extend its sympathy to his bereaved children, all of whom are now members of it.

Fourth, That these resolutions be spread on our minutes.

C. J. Pike, Pastor.
J. L. Ramsey, Clerk.

ADAMS.—Resolutions of Hopewell Baptist Church on the death of our beloved Brother, A. Adams, who was born in South Carolina something over 70 years ago and moved to Alabama while quite young. He united with Hopewell Baptist Church while in young manhood, and lived a consistent Christian life thereafter. He was ordained a Deacon in a short time after attaching himself to the Church. Later he was ordained to preach the Gospel. He was instrumental in the organization of a number of Churches in North Alabama. Brother

Adams was stricken with something like paralysis and was blind from the time of the stroke, until death relieved him of all suffering on Nov. 5th, 1904.

Resolved, First, That while we feel that we have lost a worthy brother and father in Israel, our loss is his eternal gain. We should not mourn as those who have no hope, for we read that blessed are those who die in the Lord for they shall rest from their labor and their works do follow them.

Second, That we extend to his companion and the other members of his family our sincere and heart-felt sympathy and pray that the God of all comfort may sustain and bless them in their sorrow.

Third, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the bereaved.

J. A. Fanning, J. T. Thigpen, Committee.

FARMER.—In His own and duly appointed time it has pleased an All-wise and an All-powerful God to send an angel of death into our midst and pluck from among our membership our very devoted and faithful sister, Jane Farmer.

She was born Nov. 4, 1827, and having united herself with the Baptist Church at the age of 23 years was ever faithful in her daily walk and conduct as a good and noble Christian woman. The Church in the death of this good woman and sister has sustained an irreparable loss and also the family, community, friends and neighbors; therefore while we grieve and mourn the separation from our dear sister in this earthly state, we are consoled by the bright shining spirit above that is a beacon light to us to guide and direct our pathway that we may all form a new kingdom in our new state that will know no sadness, nor separation.

Resolved, That the Church extend to the grief stricken family its deepest sympathies.

Resolved, further, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Church, and one furnished the family.

Respectfully submitted,
J. T. Fowler,
W. T. Poindexter,
Committee.

THOMPSON.—On the first day of the new year was laid to rest the body of Sister Jerusha Thompson, for a number of years an honored and respected member of North Birmingham Baptist Church. A large concourse of people, of all ages and creeds, gathered at the church to do reverence to her mortal remains and honor the memory of the sweet spirit which had gone to its Maker.

From her girlhood on she has been known over a large part of North Birmingham as a tireless Christian worker; and she esteemed no task assigned her as too great for cheerful accomplishment. Baptized at the age of fifteen she honored her Christian profession for nearly twenty years.

For the past half year she lived with her husband, J. H. Thompson, and one child, at East Birmingham. On Friday night before the close of the year she developed meningitis and at midnight passed away. A large number of relatives and friends composed the funeral procession to Elm Leaf cemetery where the body awaits the resurrection trumpet to receive the rewards of a well spent life.

John F. Gable.

JONES.—On December the 18th, 1904, the death angel came into our community and took from us Bro. E. L. Jones. Brother Jones was a prominent lawyer of Birmingham and lived at Rising. He leaves a wife and two small children to mourn his death. He was a member of Compton Hill Baptist Church, having joined about a year ago. We always knew where to find him when the B. Y. P. U. had a meeting, as he was an active worker. During his Christian service for the Master he had served as Superintendent of the Sunday school and had also served as Deacon of the church.

It is sad to see one in the prime of life struck down by the hand of death, but we bow to the will of Him who doeth all things well. To his wife and relatives, we extend our sympathies and commend them to Him who is able to fill this vacuum.

Wallace Wear.

CONNER.—Sister Mittie Conner, wife of George Conner, of Brundidge, Ala., departed this life Dec. 20th, 1904, in her 44th year. She joined the Baptist Church at about 15 years of age. The mother of six living children, three of whom are members of the Church. Sister Conner died as she lived in triumphs of a living faith. She was truly a help-mate to her husband, and devoted mother to her children until the last, seeming to be her constant care. She now rests from her labors and her works follow her. The large concourse of people at her burial service conducted by Rev. R. A. J. Cumbee, pastor, showed their appreciation of her. May God bless this dear family in their sorrow. Pastor.

TRAWICK.—In memory of Sister Mary Trawick, who departed this life Dec. 16, 1904, aged 80 years, 8 months and 15 days.

Sister Trawick was a woman possessed of great energy, and goodness of heart. She was left a widow with several small children to care for, which she struggled hard to raise, and brought them up to be honest, and industrious men and women. She was ever ready to sympathize with the distressed, and to lend a helping hand to the needy. She was a consistent member of the Baptist church at Loflin, and although her afflictions were great her place in church was seldom vacant. Be it

Resolved, First, that we extend our sincerest sympathy to the bereaved family, and say to them to remember, that their loss is her eternal gain.

Second, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and placed on our Church record.

Adopted by the Church in Conference, Dec. 31, 1904.

Mrs. L. M. Brooks,
Mrs. M. F. Boyd,
Mrs. S. J. Cowart,
Committee.

FULTON.—On the morning of December the 9th, 1904, after a long and painful illness, Brother John Fulton passed away. He professed faith in Christ about 14 years ago, and joined the Dwight Baptist church last June and was baptized by Bro. E. B. Moore. Bro. Fulton bore his suffering with the greatest Christian patience. He was indeed an example of patience. But Brother Fulton has gone from his home on earth to a home where suffering is unknown, and where sorrow can never come. He was a good man, a true friend, a dutiful son and a kind and loving brother. He leaves a father, one brother and three sisters to mourn their loss. We would say to them, weep not as those who have no hope, but look forward to that day when there will be a great reunion of the entire family where there will be no more sad partings and no more good-byes.

G. A. Chunn.

TILLMAN.—Death is at all times an unwelcome guest, though its steady footsteps are heralded by weary days and wearier nights of watching. Even so it was on Dec. 20th, 1904. The sweet spirit of Mrs. Ailie A. Tillman, wife of Geo. P. Heard, took its flight to a brighter world. For her life is done, but in the hearts of those who loved her her memory will ever linger and vibrate like a strain of sad, sweet music through all the years to come. Tender hands have laid the precious body to rest in Columbus, Ga., beside the sainted mother she mourned so long, and covered with beautiful flowers, she loved so well in life, she, the fairest flower of them all, sleeps her last sleep, awaiting the resurrection morn.

Mrs. Otis Smith.

THORNTON.—Ira L. Thornton was born Jan. 15, 1874, and fell asleep in Jesus Dec. 7, 1904. He gave himself to Christ at the age of eleven; June 11, 1902, was married to Miss Pearl Frost, by this union was born one child. He was a good man, a true husband, a faithful and kind father; as a son loving and dutiful, as a friend strong. He was amiable in disposition, pleasing in manners, tender and sympathetic in nature. But a few days since was removed so suddenly from our midst by the God whom he

served, and who doeth all things well, that while we shall miss his precious and cheering smiles, yet we shall not complain, but live in the belief that we shall meet again where there will be no more parting nor death.

He leaves to mourn his loss a father, mother, wife, sister, six brothers, one child, other relatives and friends. God's providence we cannot always understand, but we know all things work together for good to them that love Him.

May you and I in heaven meet
And cast a crown at Jesus' feet.

Mama.

FOOLE.—Whereas, the Supreme Ruler of the universe has in his infinite wisdom removed from us our worthy and esteemed friend and brother, James S. Poole; and whereas, the long and intimate relation we had with him in the faithful discharge of his duties towards his church and country makes it eminently befitting that we record our appreciation of him, therefore be it resolved,

First, That the wisdom and ability which he has exercised by continuous service and generous counsel will be held in grateful remembrance.

Second, That the sudden removal of such a life from among us leaves a vacancy and a shadow that will be deeply realized by his family and the host of other friends that survive him and will prove a serious loss to the community and public.

Third, That with deep sympathy with the bereaved relatives of the deceased, we express our hope that even so great a loss to us all may be over ruled for good by him who doeth all things well.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of Bethesda Church and a copy forwarded to the bereaved family.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. DeRamus,
J. H. Jones,
W. T. Wyatt,
Committee.

WARE.—Mrs. Annie Ware, wife of Mr. J. R. Ware, was born in Subigna, Ga., Nov. 30, 1882, and passed away Jan. 5th, 1905. Sister Ware was an excellent Christian woman, a very tender-hearted mother, and affectionate wife. The Dwight Baptist Church, in Alabama City, Ala., has sustained a great loss in her departure. The Lord seems to call from our midst the best ones. She leaves a little girl two years of age, a heart-crushed husband, with many relatives and friends to mourn her loss.

God moves in a mysterious way
His wonders to perform;
He plants his footsteps upon the sea,
He rides upon the storm.

J. W. Dunaway.

BISHOP.—Minnie Lee Bishop was born Aug. 26, 1882; joined Evergreen Baptist Church, Autauga county, Ala., July 27, 1898; baptized by Rev. W. J. Ruddick; graduate Jacksonville College, June, 1904; died Jan. 8, 1905.

As the curtains of night were falling on all around, just at 7 p. m., Sunday, Jan. 8, God allowed death to fold his mantle around one of earth's sweetest, noblest characters—Miss Minnie Lee Bishop. She was a dutiful precious child, loving sister, a loyal friend, a true Christian. Loved by all, ambitious to be and to do for herself and others. She leaves a father, mother, brothers and sisters and friends to mourn her loss.

W. J. D. Upshaw.

FREEMAN.—Rev. Jno. Freeman, D. D., who died at his home in Starkville, Miss., Jan. 8, 1905, in his eighty-fifth year was one of the foremost Baptists of the South, and especially of his adopted State. Besides Starkville he had in succession served several of our strongest churches, and was editor of the Mississippi Baptist when the Civil War began. His first wife was Miss S. A. McMillan of Alabama; his second wife was Mrs. Sallie Graves of Starkville, Miss. In both body and mind, sound and healthy at the last, without any symptoms of suffering he suddenly fell asleep.

The following is taken from the Mississippi Baptist: "His going was a sublime ending of a sublime life. On Sunday

night he retired at his usual time. When the family was arranging to leave him for the night he asked his nephew, Mr. Cunningham, to sleep with him, which he willingly did. After sleeping two or three hours as soundly and sweetly as he ever did, he aroused Brother Cunningham to make him a fire—that he wanted to sit up a while. The fire was made and he arose by himself and talked as pleasantly and as intelligently as usual for some time. In the midst of the conversation he was taken. There was not a struggle." H.

SESSIONS.—Departed this life, Dec. 30, 1904, in Ozark, Ala., Sister E. E. Sessions, who was born April 8, 1833. At the age of fourteen she joined the Baptist Church, and for fifty-seven years lived a godly and useful life. In 1868 she was left a poor widow with three little children. And the struggle she had to rear and educate them is seldom experienced, and perhaps never more wisely and successfully.

Though dead she yet speaks in the life of her children and her own godly, consecrated example.

Farewell disembodied spirit, as pastor and friend I shall miss you!
J. S. Yarbrough.

SESSIONS.—Again the death angel has visited the home of Brother and Sister Sessions and borne through the pearly gates their sweet little babe, Horatio M., age 11 months and 22 days, being born Feb. 2, 1904.

It was very beautiful to see with what meekness and submission each of the parents bowed their wounded spirits to the will of their divine Lord. Knowing full well that He who said "suffer little children to come unto me," had a gracious purpose in taking their darling unto himself, and is able and willing to pour consolation into their grieved spirits. Amen.
J. S. Yarbrough.

WATSON.—Died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. B. Cash, Mrs. Sallie Watson on Tuesday a. m., Jan. 3, 1905.

Mrs. Watson had been in very poor health several weeks, and owing to extreme old age—about ninety years—she had not been able to take care of her self for some time. Mrs. Watson (nee Nash) was born in North Carolina in 1815; married John Watson at thirteen years of age, and moved to Alabama soon after where her husband had become a leading citizen of the new country. Mrs. Watson was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church, a Christian, a good wife and a noble mother. The deceased was laid by the side of her husband in Mt. Zion cemetery where his mortal remains have lain since 1876. Mrs. Watson leaves three sisters on earth, one in Alabama and two in Texas. The grandchildren and great grandchildren are not numbered. They are scattered from Pennsylvania to New Mexico and are found at almost all the works of man.
A great-grandson.

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Rev. W. M. Cole, M. D., Blountsville,



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It is therefore ordered by the court that the 25th day of February, 1905, be set for the hearing of said petition and the proof to be submitted in support thereof, and that notice of same be given for three successive weeks by publication in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in said County, notifying all persons interested to be and appear before me on that day and contest said application if they think proper.
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I regret to state that my brother, John T. Barnett, who has been business manager of the Alabama Baptist since it came into my hands has been sick for more than a month, and has gone to the country for a year's rest. He has been faithful to his every duty, and I will miss him more than words can tell. I hope that the quiet of country life will restore him fully to health. The duties of business manager will now fall on me in addition to my editorial labors. I earnestly ask my friends to help me carry the extra work by sending in their back dues and renewals and save me the trouble of sending out statements. I am simply worked to the limit, and feel sure that if the subscribers really understood the situation that they would rally to my help. If your paper fails to reach you regularly, or if your remittances have not been properly credited, drop me a card and I will fix it. Brethren help me in my work as editor and business manager.

Frank Willis Barnett.

ALABAMA AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The brethren of Alabama have cause to rejoice when they consider how God has called from their number earnest, effective workers for the foreign field, and also when they consider how the churches in the home land have greatly increased their gifts in the last few years. In 1894 the contributions for world-wide evangelization amounted to \$7,497. In 1904, \$18,025. Thus will be seen that in ten years the gifts have more than doubled. But it is not simply gifts of money, but of noble men and women, which have proved a blessing to the work. Alabama has now on the foreign field, in Japan, Rev. J. W. McCollum and wife, and Mrs. J. F. Ray. In China, Miss Willie Kelly, Mrs. T. W. Ayers, Rev. T. M. Thomas, Dr. J. G. Meadows. Besides these, several brethren who were working in the State, have recently gone out. Among whom we mention Dr. T. W. Ayers, A. Y. Napier and H. W. Provence. There seems to be a spirit of advance in the hearts of the people, and we rejoice that the Master is so blessing them. We might speak individually of each one of these missionaries, but will not take time for that.

We trust that the people of Alabama will take and read the Alabama Baptist and also the Foreign Mission Journal, which will from time to time give an account of what is being done.

We hope this year that the gifts from Alabama will go up to at least \$22,500, thus helping to make the 25 per cent. advance which has been asked from the churches of our Convention. Let every pastor in the State feel that he is call-

ed of God to lead his people in the great work committed to us, to take this world for Christ.

CHEER UP, JULY IS COMING.

It is snowing, or sleeting, or raining, or doing all three, as we write these lines. Our almanac gives us no comfort, but tells us the weather will be engaged in some one or all of these past-times throughout February. The coal man has such a lordly air about him we can hardly venture in his presence and are constrained to entreat of him a ton of "the much needed" only by telephone. The plumber has in his eye that hilarious, my-time-has-come-at-last expression, and though we long have been aware of him, we must now—with misgivings—beg that he will unbust that busted pipe. Alas and alack! The day of reckoning will come full soon.

The Grippe is going about, like another whom we could name, seeking whom he may devour, and verily he findeth not a few. The doctor says we have the Grippe, though we feel as if we had lost our grip and know that the Grippe has us. Still, the good doctor means well, and after much thumping and punching tells us that our brain and liver and heart and lungs and bones and muscles and innards and outwards and nervous system are involved, and unless we are careful the disease will spread to other parts of our anatomy. We do try to be careful, but we know that before we get out from under the doctor's care our purse will also be involved.

But why despair! After all, when the coal man and plumber and doctor have emptied our pockets they will not have enough to buy ice next summer! Moreover, if it be true that the Almanac is against us, it cannot figure out more than twenty-eight days for February this time. Best of all, July is coming! Glorious old July! July, when the thermometer rejoices as a strong man to run a race and aspires to high things! July, with its fire crackers, fervid days, red hot oratory, and golden hearted watermelons, this dear old July is coming with her thirty-one swelterers! Be of good cheer! Though now we shake and shiver, we shall perspire again!

PRESIDENT SHELBURNE'S STATEMENT.

On page ten of our last week's issue was a note from President Shelburne, that deserved because of the importance of its subject, a setting in the most prominent columns of the paper.

Speaking for his Board of Ministerial Education he tells us he needs not less than \$2,000 annually to keep our young ministers at school. The money should be swiftly supplied. Of all our benevolent funds this ought to be the easiest raised, and if this cause be properly presented to the churches the duty of supporting it will be promptly discharged.

Somehow we do not hear any more such ringing speeches and sermons on ministerial education as used to come from Roby, Shaffer, Teague, Renfro and their co-laborers. With them it was a matter of prime importance, and some of their burning words we heard

as a boy still thrill this writer's soul. Do the men now at the helm feel less keenly than they the importance of this work? They saw the need for trained men and great as it was they knew it would soon be greater. That greater need is already here, and a greater still is just before us.

To be sure there is much danger in the use of a fund like this, but if pastors and churches will co-operate as they should with President Shelburne's Board the danger will be reduced to a minimum. We want no one in the ministry seeking a profession. Men called of God and set apart of His churches are the only worthy ones, and they only should be helped when they cannot help themselves. But we should not, by a penurious policy, delay the preparation of young brethren for their life work, nor should we allow them to begin that work hampered by debts out of all proportion to the meager salaries on which they must live after becoming pastors.

We have heard much of young preachers being harmed while in school by too much help—some good brethren going so far as to oppose rendering them any kind of assistance. We have been, and are now intimately associated with many young preachers, and in the great number, we have known but few unworthy ones, and of the worthy who have been harmed by the help of the churches we can recall not one. On the contrary, we could mention scores of splendid fellows who have been tided over some crisis in their school life by a little judicious aid, who are now bulwarks of Zion.

God forbid that we should tempt any man into the ministry by the offer of a free education, and that we should weaken one iota the manly self-dependence of any student, but if we can reach a helping hand to some youth who has heard God's call in his soul, and who is destitute of means to secure the training he knows he should have, we can do no nobler work.

We hail with joy President Shelburne's letter and trust it may be followed by many ringing words from his pen and tongue calling the churches to pray for more laborers, and urging them to supply every needed facility for the equipment of such as God may give us in answer to those prayers.

LEARNING AND COMMON SENSE.

To what length of folly learning, unbalanced by common sense, may go is aptly illustrated in the case of some higher critics who tell us how to parcel out manuscripts among various authors with a dogmatic certainty that almost makes us think they saw the writers at work.

Now we do not fall down with all sorts of fits at the mention of a higher critic. We cheerfully credit them with what good they may have done, and tried to do. They have cleared up some crude notions perhaps, and pointed out the way to some clearer views of truth. But when they take up a document, like Genesis for example, and divide it among various writers by sections, by paragraphs, by sentences, by clauses and by words, we balk right there. We

take it that the polychrome Bible and other kindred "results" represent the very flower of learning and the acme of erudition. We mean nothing disrespectful when we say it is learning gone to seed and folly of the plainest type.

Being unlearned ourselves, by what right do we pass this judgement? Common sense—that's all. And invoking the name of Common Sense we assign to the critics this task: Let any four men write a single report of any one event. Let the most learned of the critics resolve that report and ascribe to each writer his own words and sentences. If he wishes, the critic may know the men, their style, temperaments, methods and habits of thought, and may be thoroughly conversant with the event reported, of the time and all the circumstances attending it. Until he can accomplish this task, possessed of the knowledge we grant, we hope to be excused from accepting "results" about documents he never saw, written by those he never knew, under circumstances of which he is ignorant and in times of which he can only guess.

We love learning, we admire the learned. Chained by the exacting duties of an overdriven pastor's life we have sometimes stretched eager and helpless hands toward the Pierian spring, but unless learning can walk with common sense we shall see it often doing grotesque things, and if one must choose between them he had better take the latter.

EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS.

We hope Dr. B. D. Gray's visit to Cuba will prove a blessing to himself and to the work.

All of Brother Crumpton's correspondents are not enthusiastic missionaries as will be seen by extracts from several of his letters.

Read carefully what our Secretary says about Home and Foreign Missions. It is a time for heroic work. "Begin now," says the Secretary. Let there be no discordant note.

The testimony in favor of the pledge cards and missionary envelopes is so favorable and universal we are surprised that every church does not adopt it at once.

It takes cash to run the paper whether cotton is 6 or 15 cents a pound. We are willing to wait on these who are holding, but if you have sold please send us our part.

Miss Annie W. Armstrong, Corresponding Secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union, visited Greenville, S. C., last week and met the local board of managers of the Home for the children of missionaries.

Bro. J. M. Green, one of our Alabama boys, for some years pastor in Oregon, has returned to his native State and settled at Louisville in one of our most needy fields. Rev. J. U. N. Wharton comes from Little Rock, Ark., to LaFayette; Rev. J. B. Jones comes from Kentucky to East Florence; Bro. M. W. Godon from South Carolina, will come to Brewton-April 1st. We welcome all these brethren to Alabama. May the good work go on until all of our vacant pastorates are filled.

A remittance for back dues and a renewal would be greatly appreciated by the editor.

If you have sold your cotton don't fail to pay up and renew. If you haven't sold please remember us when you do. We are bearing the burden of the low price of cotton, as many are making us wait. Don't make us wait any longer than you can help.

Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw had hardly got settled at Ft. Deposit before he began to work for the Alabama Baptist, with the result that we received a check from him for \$12.50. This shows what a pastor can do when he really wants to put the paper into the homes of his people.

The Christian Index says: "Dr. W. W. Landrum, Dr. Jno. E. White, Dr. John F. Purser, Rev. O. J. Copeland, Rev. M. A. Jenkins, Rev. A. M. Bennett, will be sent to the World's Congress in London next July by their churches." We hope that some of our Alabama churches will arrange to send their pastors.

870,000,000, of the 1,500,000,000 population of the world are heathen. To each missionary, there are 250,000 native heathen. By the liquor traffic, opium trade and other evils, Christian countries have increased their misery.

An elderly gentleman in Norfolk, Va., delights to say, in referring to the splendid statue of Washington in the Capitol Square at Richmond, Va., "I put it there." Truly he did, for says he, "I pulled the rope that lifted it to its place." So shall it come to pass that all helpers—those who go and those who give—may say: "I sent the knowledge of Christ, the Saviour, to those in darkness, and God uses me as a helper in winning souls to Him."

Read the notes from Brother Crumpton's correspondents. We wonder how many of the pastors read the Secretary's appeal to the laymen and distributed the copies that were sent to them! Brother Davis seems to like it. How many Sunday school superintendents forgot the Secretary's appeal for the Merimac chapel and the church building at East Tallassee. The Secretary writes: "Many Sunday schools have sent in small contributions, but the large schools who could help so easily, have not responded." It seems to us the Sunday schools could easily build a mission chapel each year. It is not unreasonable for the Secretary to expect it. Why not do it brother superintendents!

The Baptist Church at Springville is, and has been, without a pastor since June of last year. But notwithstanding this fact the church is surviving, and her Sunday school is better than for several years. Rev. E. P. Reed, who is a member of the church, has been doing the preaching; and since January first, he has been preaching twice a month. Brother Reed also acts as superintendent of the Sunday school. Our congregations are increasing and the Sunday school has more than doubled in membership since the first of this year. The outlook is brighter than for several years. Preaching every first and third Sunday.

THE BAPTIST CONFERENCE AND THE BLIZZARD.

In response to an invitation extended some time ago by Dr. H. L. Morehouse, Secretary of the Home Mission Society, a body of representative Baptists from every portion of the country, met in the Fifth Avenue church, of New York, on the morning of January 25th, and remained in session for two days. Doubtless the attendance would have been much larger but for the advent of a blizzard, which played havoc with plans and purposes, and admonished many to stay close at home. Letters of assurance to Secretary Morehouse and others, from brethren North and South, indicated the purpose of many to attend who were not present. Among these the absence of Dr. A. J. S. Thomas, of the Baptist Courier, editor J. W. Bailey, of the Biblical Recorder, Dr. J. N. Prestridge, of the Baptist Argus, Dr. T. P. Bell, of the Index, and Joshua Levering, of Baltimore, was especially regretted. There were present, however, such representatives as President Needham, of the George Washington University, Washington, D. C., President Lowrey, of Mississippi, Dr. Millard, of Baltimore, Dr. Jameson, of Georgia, Editor Armstrong and Dr. Manly Breaker, of Missouri, and Dr. Green, of Washington. Numerous letters were presented from many of the leading spirits of the South showing the favor with which they regarded the movement.

The meeting was organized by the unanimous selection of Dr. Green, of Washington, as chairman. A tentative outline of the proposed action of the Conference was submitted, and the several propositions were submitted to different committees. The matter which provoked the greatest diversity of opinion was that of the basis of representation in the contemplated Convention which is appointed to meet in St. Louis on May 17th. The report of the committee favored the appointment of representatives by the State Conventions, but it was soon seen that this did not meet the approbation of the Conference. The evident desire was to reach the great mass of Baptists of the country, and in order to do this, the power of appointment was left first to the churches, then to the district Associations, then to the State Conventions. As to the details, they will be furnished to the different papers, and so this is, for the present, passed over. It is my purpose to give only the general drift and spirit of the meeting. After the reports of the several sub-committees had been submitted, the details of which especially with reference to the number of representatives, was left to a committee of seven, which committee was to formulate a report, on the second day, embodying the purpose, plans, scope and representation of the body to be held in St. Louis in May.

On the second day the report was submitted, the items of which were considered seriatim, and each unanimously adopted. A New Englander facetiously remarked that "that is the way they do it in Texas."

The spirit of the Conference was delightful. The single aim and purpose was to unify the great Baptist brother-

hood of the United States, Mexico, and Canada, in a single organization that should be independent of existing organizations, and without interfering with the existing methods of such organizations. By the concentration of sentiment on such questions as denominational education, the liquor traffic, Mormonism, the Sabbath question, divorce and numerous other great questions, it was unanimously believed that much good could be accomplished by the people called Baptists. Nor was there any doubt that such a meeting as that of the General Convention of the Baptists of America, for such was the name chosen, would be conducive to the promotion of all interests now fostered by the Baptists of the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

The deeply spiritual temper of the meeting left no doubt in the minds of those in attendance of the total absence of any other than the sincerest motives in the heart of every one who participated in the proceedings. The discussion of the details and outlook of this great undertaking I leave to others, after the publication of the proceedings in our denominational papers, and turn now to

The Great Blizzard

that swept down on New York during our stay in the city. The writer reached New York on the morning of the 24th. The clouds hung low and gloomily and specks of snow began to fall at an early hour. These thickened throughout the day, and the evening papers warned the people that a blizzard was on the way, and that the 25th would be a day of storm, attended by wind and a heavy snow fall. The flakes fell throughout the night of the 24th, and the morning of the 25th brought a blinding storm of snow. It was attended by a fierce wind, the velocity of which was forty-eight miles an hour, and as it would sweep around the angles of the great buildings of the metropolis, it would almost lift one off his feet. I saw people driven rapidly down the street by the sheer force of the gale. The snow borne before the wind would sting like cambric needles, as one would face it. It was impossible to see but a few steps beyond one because of the snow dust whistling and whizzing in all directions. Throughout another day the wind and snow raged, checking transportation and prostrating persons and horses on the streets. Snow drifts many feet deep were piled here and there, and a number of trains approaching the city were stopped in the open, unable to proceed. The surface car system gave up the struggle, as it was literally impossible for the cars to make headway. The evening papers of the 25th reported a number frozen to death, many disabled, all traffic blocked, and great suffering among the poor of the city. Business men and clerks of both sexes were unable to reach their homes, and the hotels and boarding houses were crowded to the uttermost. The city was literally taxed to care for the many thousands who sought refuge from the extreme weather.

During the night of the 25th the snow ceased to fall, and the wind to blow, and the morning papers were filled with harrowing tales from every section of

the country. An army of 4,000 men were set to work on the morning of the 26th to clear the snow from the sidewalks of the city. Crowbar, spade and shovel were busy throughout the day in throwing up the heavy embankments which at the close of the day lined every street in New York. Great roaring snow-sweepers swept along the tracks of the different car lines, but the rails were as sleek as glass, and for many hours the wheels could not move along them. Street cars would frequently require an hour to make the distance of a mile. The atmosphere cut like a knife, and I saw heavy moustaches of men formed into flaps of ice which overhung their mouths. Every possible device was improvised to shield the faces of pedestrians against the intense cold. Caps and hoods, wraps and shawls, towels and blankets were put about heads, in the most grotesque way, leaving only the smallest openings for the eyes and nose. In thousands of instances the most ludicrous garbs were adopted by men and women alike, as they sallied forth to encounter the intense cold. It is the severest season of cold experienced here since 1888, and for the time, utterly paralyzes the people of the metropolis. It is no regret to me that I am soon to turn my face toward the sunnier South.

B. F. Riley.

DISAPPOINTED.

Returning to the office after my month in California, I am grieved to report the January collections for State Missions, much below my expectations.

The regulars have done well—they always do. So many of the strong churches have not reported. I know the weather has been bad and the congregations small; but that doesn't help matters at this end of the line. I must believe many of the churches have taken collections and have not reported. I hope to have their returns in February. If I am disappointed in this, State Missions will sorely suffer, for we cannot expect anything before May.

Home and Foreign Missions have the right of way now for three months. We want \$16000 for the former and \$22,500 for the latter. Alabama has given for Home Missions from May 1st to February 1st \$3800.52, and for Foreign Missions \$8193.49. It will be seen that there remains to be raised in the next three months \$12199.48 for Home Missions and \$14306.51 for Foreign Missions—for both \$26,506.00.

Don't let any brother say "We can't do it." If we begin now and work steadily at it, we will go to Kansas City in May to the Southern Baptist Convention, happy in the thought that Alabama has done all that was asked of her. But we must BEGIN NOW, brethren.

W. B. Crumpton.

Rev. A. G. Hash, who goes to lead the work of the Baptists at Fort Gaines, Ga., has many friends in Alabama who will regret his departure, for he is one of our most lovable and spiritual young preachers.

Rev. L. L. Dobbs of Sterling, Ala., has moved to Athens, La. We regret to have him leave our State.

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R. J. Willingham, Cor. Secretary.

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Organization of the Foreign Board and Location of Its Members.

To better carry forward the work of missions the Convention appointed two boards of standing committees. One of these was the Home Mission Board, of Atlanta, Ga., (formerly known as the Domestic Board of Marion, Ala.) and the other the Foreign Mission Board, located at Richmond, Va.

The Foreign Board consists of twenty-one members living in Richmond, and one Vice-president in each State. The general management of the Board is committed to the members in Richmond. The vice-presidents in the States endeavored to awaken interests and quicken the zeal of our people.

The Board is appointed annually by the Southern Baptist Convention. The Convention, which represents the churches, has entire control of the Board, which is really only a committee to act for the Convention, or for the churches which compose the Convention. The Board has a President, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Assistant Corresponding Secretary and Auditor. The brethren composing the Board are earnest, active Christian men, loved, esteemed and trusted by their brethren.

The Corresponding Secretary and the Assistant Corresponding Secretary are paid for their services. The Treasurer is paid for a part of his time. No other members receive any pay, but on the contrary they give freely of time and service and means to the great work which they love so well.

Meetings and Committees.

The Board meets monthly, oftener if necessary. The work which comes before them is generally first referred to committees for careful consideration. There is a standing committee for each of our six mission fields. Each committee is expected to look especially into the work and needs of the fields assigned to it, and to make recommendations for the same. While the Board has respect for the reports of the various committees, still, frequently, they correct, amend, or dissent from these reports. There are standing committees also on finance, new appointments, woman's work, agencies, and literature.

The meetings of the Board are opened and closed with prayer, and from time to time, when difficulties arise, special prayer is made for wisdom and guidance. Accurate records are kept of all the proceedings of the Board. Appointments of New Missionaries.

A most difficult question has reference to the appointment of missionaries. There are many applicants. Any-

one can readily decide that some of these ought not to go. But who ought to go? Piety, mental ability and health, must all be taken into consideration. When an application is made the Board wants to know how the applicant stands at his home; and so a number of leading men in the church and community are conferred with, among them the pastor and the doctor. But, alas! people cannot always be depended upon to give correct information, even for such an important matter as this, and from the same church sometimes will come conflicting statements, and sometimes the brother who knows the applicant to be unworthy or unsuited will keep silent. Brethren should consider what is involved, and for the good of the Cause give the necessary information.

Some seem to think that almost anybody will do for a missionary. Far from it. We need to send the very best. God sent Paul, the best preacher of all, as a foreign missionary. We need missionaries of deep piety, good hard sense, and sound bodies. We need them with lively hope, strong faith great patience and perseverance, unbounded energy mixed with prudence and discretion. But with all these, it is necessary to have consuming love of God and love of souls. No mortal more needs the holy triad, faith, hope and love, than the Gospel missionary. One might ask, "Who is sufficient for these things?" We answer, "No one; our sufficiency is in God, but let us present to Him the best we have."

In making appointments it is necessary to consider climate and the health and predispositions of the applicant. Much money can be wasted by sending good men and women to the wrong fields.

Finances and Their Management.

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Needs for Faith and Prayer.

We need more than ever to realize that this is God's work. He is its author. He loved this world and gave his Son for it. Working with Him and for Him we cannot fail. Great difficulties are before us, but the greater

the conflicts the greater will be the conquests. Let us remember our commander and leader, His power and presence. It is our privilege to look to Him unceasingly. Most earnest prayer is needed for missions and missionaries. Let us all pray for the coming of the Kingdom. We are not alone. Our help and strength are in God. On Him we call, and in His name and in obedience to His command we will go forward.

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The unique condition once was that some fields were closed against the missionary. From the hearts of churches, and the Foreign Mission Board, arose the cry, "Oh, God, open the doors." The prayer was answered; and the Lord of the harvest, with our co-operation, opened the closed doors, so that missionaries can go into any harvest field to labor for the Master.

Then the unique condition was that the pocket books of the Lord's friends were closed, so that the ready and waiting, would-be, missionaries could not enter the open fields because our Foreign Mission Board did not have the money to send them. Again there arose a cry to God; but this time it was, "Lord, open the pocket-books." That prayer, too, was heard; and the Lord of the harvest, with the co-operation of the Board, and pastors (who laid upon the hearts and consciences of Christ's real friends in the Church, the facts as to the open fields, and the Gospel as to giving), opened the pocket-books, and the money came flowing into the treasury as never before. Individuals, and individual churches, and groups of churches, began supporting individual missionaries, as they went out to their work, in addition to increased gifts for the general fund in the Board's treasury.

Another unique condition we now have to meet. It is that of closed hearts. The fields are open for missionaries to enter; the pocket-books are open, from which to supply the funds to send them,—now there are but few missionaries for the Board to send,—the hearts of the young men and women of our churches are closed, and the impulse to go as a missionary is not being felt by a sufficient number to supply the demand for laborers. There is a great dearth around the entrance into the ministry. There are comparatively fewer men entering the ministry now than ever before in the history of Christianity. Just now, at the time of the greatest need, and the greater opportunity, and the most money, a new note is sounded. It is a startling cry from the Board—a clarion call: "Give us men." The material on hand has been used up. In rapidly increasing numbers, as the open pocket-books have furnished the money, the laborers have been sent forward, by the Board, to enter the open fields white unto harvest. From 1870 to 1880, only 5 were sent out by the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. In the next decade, 1880 to 1890, there were 26. From 1890 to 1900, there were 40. From 1900 to 1904 (note this, only four years), there were 101. And so far, during this conventional year, since the Nashville Convention in May, there have been 45 appointments made by the Board. And, all along the line, the cry now is for "more men." It comes from every department of the church's work, where ministers are to be used. Birmingham, during that memorable Monday afternoon Foreign Mission meeting at the Nashville Convention scarcely referred to money; but one who witnessed the agony of that face, and listened to the pleading of that heart for men, can never forget the soul-stirring scene as some 40 men rose to their feet and said, "Here am I, send me." Gray, of the Home Board, and Livingston Johnson, of the N. C. State Board, and McGlothlin of the Seminary, at the recent North Carolina State Convention, all pleaded for men for the Home field, the State Mission work and to become pastors, as calls are coming from every quarter of the Southland to the Seminary, for pulpit supplies.

This last unique condition demands our immediate attention and most earnest and practical consideration. At once, according to Luke 10:2, let us, as preachers and churches, unitedly, and with importunity, besiege the Throne of Grace until there are scores of men and women who tell us they are called of God to preach in home pulpits, or to go as missionaries to the State, Home, or Foreign field. This is the command of Jesus: "Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest, that He would send forth labourers into His harvest." Says one, "Isn't that the Lord's harvest?" "Yes." "Isn't He the one who is to send forth the laborers?" "Yes." "Then, what business is it of yours?" It becomes our business because He commands us to pray that He will send forth the laborers. Let us look at this issue squarely in the face, and deal with it sensibly. If ever emphasis was specially needed upon a neglected truth of Scripture, this is the place. The revival that is needed most, today, among Southern Baptists (and among Christians everywhere, as for that matter), is not one that will give to churches and individual Christians an impulse to pray and work for the conversion of sinners; but, as the result of preaching, and meditation, and prayer, one that will put us to praying and working—to the end that God will call men into the ministry! The churches of God are greatly backslidden, and need instruction and exhortation as to their privilege, and responsibility, and obligation, in co-operating with God in the matter of His calling men into the ministry.

We have become, practically, Hardshell in this, as the hyper-Calvinists have in the matter of God's call to the sinner in reference to his salvation. We say, in opposition to the Hardshells, that God uses means (men and Gospel) in his call to sinners; let us not forget our principles, but remember that He also uses means (men and the Gospel) in calling men into the ministry! The one, great, specific, emphatic command of Christ is, "Pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest." Then, remembering the common-sense, human element, in answer to our own prayer, let us, as preachers, preach the Gospel and tell the facts on this subject; as Sunday school teachers let us teach concerning this issue, so that our boys and girls may be put to thinking, and listening for a call to them; and as parents, let us bring this matter before our children for their consideration, so that by word of mouth, and the printed page we may co-operate with God in calling men into the ministry and in sending forth laborers into His harvest. Let

every young teacher in the Sunday school, and every young personal evangelist, ponder over the question: "Is God calling me into the ministry, or to the Foreign Mission work—as a preaching, or teaching, or medical missionary?"

If proper attention is given to meeting this present unique condition, God will honor our prayer and effort, and will send us a great, and gracious revival along this line, so that the present need will be supplied, and lasting good will come to the churches, as the result of the revival.

Now, do not let one preacher, or church, wait for another to start the revival; but let each one, at once, today, fall to praying, and talking, and working for the accomplishment of this purpose, in his own church, or class, or home, and expect results.

As a consequence of this revival, some will come before the Board, and have their applications turned down, as some in soul-winning revivals apply for membership who are not prepared to join; but those called of God will be appointed, for the Board (the committee selected by the churches through the Convention) into whose hands, and upon whose hearts is placed, for special consideration, the Foreign Mission work, and who are entrusted with the carrying forward of that work in a business-like manner, are an earnest, devoted, sensible set of men, and can be depended on (as far as their human judgment avails) not to appoint anyone who has not the spiritual, or mental, or physical qualifications to go to the Foreign field.

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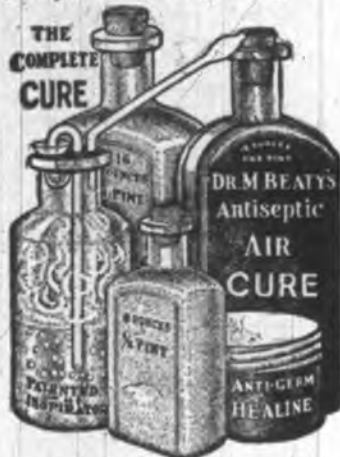
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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

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Rev. J. W. Milliard, the newly elected pastor of the Ponce de Leon Baptist Church, of Atlanta, expects to begin his work in the Capital City on the second Sunday in March. Dr. Milliard has done a great work at Eutaw Place Baptist Church, Baltimore.

Mrs. Laura Ruggles, well known to many of the older citizens of Alabama, died this morning in Mobile. She was a daughter of the lamented Rev. J. H. Schroebel, a historical figure in Baptist affairs of Alabama. After a long life of service for the Master, she has gone to her reward.—J. M. Kalin.

Mrs. Joe Warnfeldt, of Johns, died on the last day of January, and was buried on the first of February. She was fifty years, nine months and ten days old. She leaves her husband. There are no children. She was well known in church and religious circles.

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We have received the quarterly report of the Baptist Sunday School at Alexander City. We clip the following: We have come to the close of another year, and in looking back over the year's work we have good reasons to be thankful. We have made some progress, our attendance is better. We will issue 21 diplomas for 1904, while we issued only 14 for 1903, an increase of 50 per cent.

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Last fall at a number of Associations I took subscriptions for Our Home Field and Foreign Mission Journal. So far as I know none of them went wrong except a list taken by Brother Dunn at the Sulphur Springs Association. I cannot find the list. If those who subscribed will drop me a postal card giving name and postoffice, I will be glad to send them on. W. B. Crumpton, Montgomery, Ala

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Ar. Montgomery	9:30pm	8:20am
Ar. Montgomery	9:30pm	10:00am	6:20pm
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State of Alabama, Jefferson County, in Probate Court, Feb. 2, 1905.
Estate of Andrew Banholzer, deceased. This day came John C. Forney, Administrator of said deceased, and filed his application in writing and under oath, praying for the sale of certain real estate therein described, and belonging to the estate of said deceased, for the purpose of division between the heirs thereof, and alleging further that John Banholzer, residing at Sewanee, Tennessee, and Kasper Banholzer, residing at Tracy City, Tennessee, are non-residents of this State.
It is ordered that the 15th day of March 1905, be set as a day for hearing said application, and the testimony to be submitted in support of the same. It is further ordered that the notice of the filing of said application and the day appointed for hearing the same, be given by publication once a week for three successive weeks, in the Alabama Baptist, a newspaper published in this County.
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By R. J. Willingham, Cor. Secretary.

The carnal heart cries out, "Am I my brother's keeper?" God's law is rejected. Everything rotates around self as a center. Christ came to change all this. He teaches us that He is the center of this universe, that all things were created by Him and for Him. Men are made to glorify Him, and that in this life-love for Him means love for our fellow-men. When God looked from Heaven and provided salvation through Christ, He meant that His salvation should be proclaimed to all the world. All men were His creatures and He loved the world. To know what is the duty of a child of God we must find out what is the will of the Father. All the teachings of the Old Testament point to the coming of Christ. The promise of God to Abraham, that in him all nations of the earth should be blessed, points to Christ. When Christ taught His disciples to pray, it was for the coming of God's kingdom, and that His will be done on earth as in heaven.

When Christ taught the law, it was supreme love to God and love for our fellow-men as for ourselves. Do we prize the Gospel? Do we consider it the best of all blessings to earth? Then how can we withhold it and feel that we are pleasing God? Never since the world began was there a more auspicious time for giving the Gospel to all nations of the earth, and yet we find that Satan has so deluded God's people that any and every variety of excuses are made to keep them from helping millions who are dying without Christ. We keep one hundred and fifty preachers here at home to every one we send to foreign lands, where the needs are incomparably greater, and yet many of these here preach to a few hundred, when they could go to large cities and sections in foreign lands with hundreds of thousands where there is no preacher at all. We keep them here, and yet some complain that we are "doing too much for Foreign Missions." We give in the Southern Baptist Convention less than fifteen cents a member on an average, annually, for giving the heathen nations the Gospel, and call ourselves "the champions of strict and implicit obedience to God's command."

Duty! Duty! Duty! What is it? In professing or in doing the will of the Master? If Southern Baptists will consider God's love for the world, see and hear the dying Christ and awaken to do His parting command, an era would open upon us which would turn this old sin-cursed world to God, and make rejoicing in the presence of the angels of heaven. It is time for us to show that we are not only strict constructionists but strict conformists, and that we not only believe in the commands of the Master, but obey them. God wants this work done. He calls us into service. We must obey. Satan is willing for us to profess anything, if we do nothing. Let us profess all, and do all, that will glorify God.

Another point to which we call special attention—Christ promised His Spirit to come after His departure. The coming of that Spirit was to be

with power. And when the disciples received power they were to be witnesses—"witnesses in Jerusalem and all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth." That Spirit is in the world today. He is with God's people. Would we honor Him? He wants us to witness. It is said that the word meaning witness, or its compound, is used about one hundred and seventy-five times in the Scriptures. We are Christ's witnesses. That is what He wants us to be for Him. He died that men might live. Will we witness aright, then dying millions shall hear and know of our Saviour that they might be saved also.

What is our duty? Read it in God's love and God's plan in Christ, in His command, in His gift of the Holy Spirit, and it is clearly go, go, until every creature in the world shall know of Him and His love.

We could reason from the awful condition of the heathen, from the reflex good or evil to us and our children, from obedience or negligence, but we prefer simply to stand before God, consider His love, and find out His commands. Child of His, if this will not move you to full duty, nothing will. On bended knees let us wait before Him, and learn His will. In His name and strength let us go boldly forward, giving the Gospel to the millions, dying in night and blight.

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MORTGAGE SALE.

Default having been made in the payment of the debt secured by a mortgage executed by F. M. Brundidge to J. E. Hurst on the 8th day of October, 1904, which mortgage is recorded in volume 375 page 73 of the records of mortgages in the office of Probate Judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, said mortgagee will on the 4th day of March, 1905, sell at public outcry to the highest bidder for cash in front of the court house door in Birmingham, Alabama, during legal hours of sale under the power in said mortgage the following described real estate situated in Jefferson county and state of Alabama, to-wit:

Lot number two (2) and west half of lot one (1) in the Investment Real Estate Company of Alabama subdivision of block four (4) Phelan's addition, a map of which property is recorded in map book four page 74 in office of Probate Judge of Jefferson county, Alabama, said lots together fronting 54.6 on the north side of 14th avenue, south, and extend back 200 feet along the east side of 15th street, south, to an alley, the said lots being 54.5 feet on said alley, together with all improvements thereon and being situated in Birmingham, Alabama. Said sale will be made for the purpose of paying the debt secured by said mortgage together with the costs and attorney's fees for foreclosing same.

J. E. Hurst, Mortgagee.
W. L. Hills, Attorney.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage executed to P. J. Rogers by J. P. Phillips and Dora Phillips, default having been made in the payment of the debt secured by said mortgage, I will proceed to sell on Monday the 13th day of February, 1905, between the legal hours of sale to the highest bidder for cash, in front of court house door of Jefferson county, Alabama, the property described in the said mortgage, to-wit:

Commencing at the southwest corner of the southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of the southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 20, township 17, range 3, west, thence run north along western boundary of said forty with a variation of 3 degrees and twenty-four minutes, west, (875) eight hundred and seventy-five feet, thence east 209 feet for a point of beginning, thence using this last point for a beginning, run north 104 feet, thence east 104 feet, thence south 104 feet, thence west 104 feet to beginning. This tract is bounded on the west by land of Isaiah Nelson and on the south by an alley, reference is also made to a map of said southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of southeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of section 20, township 17, range 3, west, used for Martin Lockhart by Corry and Hall, and recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jefferson county, recorded in volume 1 maps, page 328. Said property being situated in Jefferson county, Alabama. January 24, 1905.

P. J. Rogers, Mortgagee.
J. B. Aird, 306 Title Bldg., Attorney for Mortgagee.

PASTORLESS CHURCHES AND PREACHERS WITHOUT PASTORATES.

W. J. E. Cox.

This subject seems to be attracting some attention in the columns of the Alabama Baptist, and various reasons are being given for the condition of things suggested by the subject. Why is there such a crying need for preachers when at the same time there are so many preachers without pastorates? I believe that it is due to the fact that too many men have been ordained to the ministry who are unfitted for the work of the ministry.

We hear much about "a Divine call to the Gospel ministry." Some brethren seem to think that if one feels that he is called of God to preach and earnestly desires to preach, this is all the qualification he needs. But if such an impression is not made on his brethren after hearing him speak I think he may seriously question his "Divine call." I have just read "A call to the ministry," in Dr. Hiscox's "Baptist Church Directory." He refers to only one passage of Scripture to prove the call he is discussing, Heb. 5:4, and that passage, it seems to me, has no bearing on the subject. It evidently refers to the priesthood and not to the gospel ministry. Paul in giving the qualifications of a bishop in his first epistle to Timothy says nothing about a special Divine call. I believe that God calls men to preach the gospel but I believe he calls those who are "apt to teach" and who possess the other qualifications of a bishop, and no others. The man who feels called of God to preach and yet has no qualifications that promise usefulness in the gospel ministry, is simply deceived. I have known men to be ordained to the ministry who knew nothing of the simplest fundamentals of the gospel. How can men teach when they know nothing to teach?

Should a man be ordained to the ministry who has no academic or theological training? In some cases yes, in others, no. I have known some men who were very ignorant about many things but they possessed a remarkable knowledge of the gospel. An uneducated young man, especially in this day, who feels called to preach the gospel, and is not willing to make any sacrifice to secure an education, may seriously question his "call."

As a rule churches are not going to call men as pastors who are not qualified to instruct them, notwithstanding all the bureaus of ministerial supplies. What the churches need and what they want are thoroughly qualified pastors. Such men will usually be in the pastorate and will receive support from their churches. I am afraid that some men think that the ministry is an easy way of making a living and they do not work at the business of edifying the saints and saving sinners, and the churches know it.

Now, brethren, I have spoken right out in meeting, but I have only said what is said privately in many directions. I will refrain from saying more until I see how the brethren receive this. I give fair warning, however, that I am loaded to the muzzle.

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